GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Department – Allegation of irregularities in execution of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Works (i.e., Internal C.C. Road & Side Drains in Narsaipally (V) (R&R) Bit-I and Bit-II) at Narsaipally (V), Nagarkurnool (M), Mahaboobnagar District- Common disciplinary proceedings and charges framed against **Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.) –** Charges proved in inquiry report of Member, C.O.I & IA dt:28.04.2016 - Representation received – Imposition of penalty of Five Percent (5%) cut in pension permanently under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 –Orders– Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.507 **Dated:22.08.2023**

Read the following:

1. From the DG, V&E Department, Vigilance Report .No. 129 (811/V&E/E1/2011), dated:13.12.2013.
2. G.O.Rt.No.572, PR&RD (Vig. I) Department, Government of Telangana, Dated: 08.09.2015.
3. G.O.Rt.No.259, PR&RD (Vig. I) Department, Government of Telangana, Dated: 01.12.2014.
4. From Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), written statement of defence dt:09.02.2015.
5. G.O.Rt.No.573, PR&RD (Vig. I) Department, Government of Telangana, Dated:08.09.2015.
6. From Sri C. Sammi Reddy, Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, GAD and Inquiry Authority, D.O.Letter.No.10/COI.CSR/2015, Dated:28.04.2016.
7. Govt. Memo.No.30541/Vig.I/2013-4, PR&RD (Vig. I) Dept., Government of Telangana, dated:08.08.2016.
8. From Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), representation dt:18.10.2016.
9. From the Secretary to Govt, PR&RD. Dept., Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad, vide Letter No.30541/Vig-Engg/A2/2013-9, Dated: 03.03.2022.
10. Govt., Memo No.1723985/Vig.II/2022-1, PR&RD(Vig.II) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Dated:21.11.2022.
11. From Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), representation dt:27.04.2023.
12. Govt. Letter No.1723985/Vig.II/2022-2, PR&RD(Vig.II) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh Dated:10.05.2023.
13. From the Secretary, APPSC, File No.GAD03-APPS0DCC /59/2023-DC.SEC-APPSC (Computer NO.209785), Dated:15.06.2023.

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ORDER:

Based on the recommendations of the Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department, A.P., made in the reference 1st read above, on the allegation of irregularities in execution of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Works (i.e., Internal C.C. Road & Side Drains in Narsaipally (V)

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(R&R) Bit-I and Bit-II) at Narsaipally (V), Nagarkurnool (M), Mahaboobnagar District, Government, among others, have initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 duly framing following article of charge under Rule 20 of said Rules vide references 2nd and 3rd read above against Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), with a direction to submit his written statement of defence :

Charge :

That Sri K.C. Ramanna, Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District, has committed the following irregularities in execution of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Works (i.e., Internal C.C. Road & Side Drains in Narsaipally (V) (R&R) Bit-I and Bit-II) at Narsaipally (V), Nagarkurnool (M), Mahaboobnagar District and thus, he has derelicted and failed to discharge his legitimate duties properly.

i) Allowed sub standard quality of CC pavement with deficient thickness and compressive strength in respect of Work No.8 (i.e., Internal CC roads & Side drains in Narsaipally (V) (R&R) Bit.II)

ii) Failed to direct the AE concerned to record the measurements, the DEE to check measure the measurements of executed GSB layer and CC pavement and dereliction in discharging of duties.

iii) Failed to conduct the specified quality control tests and obtain the mix design for CC pavement(M30) before execution.

iv) Executed the top layers by deletion/ non execution of underneath layers without obtaining the proper sanction of the competent authority.

v) Non initiation of any action wither for not recording/ check measurement of the measurements for the executed work of GSB & CC or for rejecting of the same, if considered substandard and not conforming to the contract specifications or for the works executed in the absence of supervision of the AE and Dy.EE concerned particularly when the items are concrete works.

vi) For non-renewal of insurance policy for extended Agreement period & defect liability period.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), has submitted his written statement of defence dt:09.02.2015.

3. Government have not satisfied with the Written Statement Defence submitted by the Charged Officer and decided to conduct regular inquiry into the matter against the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.) including against two (2) other co-charged officers involved in the case. Accordingly, in the reference 5th read above, Government have entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries and appointed Sri C. Sammi Reddy, C.O.I, G.A. Department as the Inquiring Authority under Rule 20 (2) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against all the three (3) Charged Officers in the matter.

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4. In the reference 6th read above, the C.O.I & Inquiring Authority has submitted inquiry report dt: 28.04.2016, wherein the Inquiry Officer has held that Out of Six (VI) counts of Charge, Five (v) counts of Charge (ie, I, II, III, IV & V) are **held proved** and the count (vi) of charge is **not held proved** against the C.O. Sri K.C. Ramanna, the then EE., PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahaboobnagar District (now retired in Govt., of AP), among others.

5. In the reference 7th read above, Government, among others, have communicated a copy of the inquiry report to the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.) as per Rule 21 (2) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, for his representation if any on the findings of the Inquiry Authority.

6. In the reference 8th read above, the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), has submitted representation dt:18.10.2016 and stated that the Inquiry Authority shall give his findings whether the charges enquired into are proved or not. Hence, finalization of bills on its inspection, irrespective of quality, does not arise at any stage. Therefore, the C.O. Sri K.C. Ramanna, EE (Retd), has requested the Government to evaluate the simple charges in its true spirit and drop further action in the matter.

7. In the reference 9th read above, the Secretary to Govt, PR&RD. Dept., Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad, has transferred the case of C.O. Sri K.C. Ramanna, E.E (PR), PRI Division, Nagarkurnool (now retired in Govt. of AP) to the State of A.P. for taking further necessary action in the matter as the individual is allotted to A.P., worked in A.P., and retired from service in A.P.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter and having not satisfied with the explanation submitted by the charged officer, have taken a provisional decision to impose a penalty of Five percent (5%) cut in pension permanently against the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), under Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules, 1980, since the Five (v) counts of Charge (i.e., I, II, III, IV & V) are **held proved** and the count (vi) of charge is **not held proved** against him. The same has been communicated to the C.O., through the reference 10th read above for his representation if any in the matter.

9. In the reference 11th read above, the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.), has submitted representation dt:27.04.2023 duly reiterating his earlier explanation submitted in reply to findings on the Inquiry Authority and requested to drop charges against him.

10. Government, after examination of the same have decided to proceed further on the provisional decision to impose above penalty against the C.O., since the C.O has not put forth any new grounds. Accordingly, in the reference 12th read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission was requested to obtain the concurrence and to communicate the same to Government for taking further action in the matter.

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11. In the reference 13th read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, has communicated the consent of the commission to impose the above penalty against the charged officer and advised to take action accordingly.

12. Government, after careful examination the matter, hereby impose a penalty of Five Percent (**5%**) cut in pension permanently against the charged officer Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.) under Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules, 1980, in the matter.

13. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada, is requested to take further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
Sri K.C. Ramanna, former Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar District (now retired in Govt. of A.P.).
(**through** The Engineer-In Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada)
(with a request to serve the orders on the individual and furnished served copy to Government).

Copy to:
The Secretary to Govt, PR&RD. Dept., Govt. of Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to VC, A.P.Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi
The A.P. Public Service Commission, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, AP, Vijayawada.
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
OSD to the Hon'ble Dy.CM for PR&RD Department.
PS to Spl. CS to Govt., PR&RD Department.
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